

Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission

An advisory body to the California State Board of Education

FINAL MINUTES OF MEETING: March 15-16, 2001

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Preliminary Report of Action

Thursday, March 15, 2001

Curriculum Commissioners Present:

Patrice Abarca, Chair	Susan Stickel, Vice Chair
Marilyn Astore	Roy Anthony
Catherine Banker	Rakesh Bhandari
Edith Crawford	Lora Griffin
Milissa Glen-Lambert	Viken Hovsepian
Veronica Norris	Janet Philibosian
Leslie Schwarze	Richard Schwartz
Karen Yamamoto	

Curriculum Commissioners Absent:

Mary Coronado Calvario
Fran Pavley, Member of the Assembly
John Vasconcellos, Member of the Senate

State Board of Education Liaisons

Nancy Ichinaga
Marion Joseph

Call to Order: 9:05 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: Richard Schwartz moved to approve the January 2001 minutes with minor corrections. Roy Anthony seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Chair: Patrice Abarca reported on the following (1) Curriculum Commission's report for February to the State Board of Education, (2) invited Marilyn Astore to update the Commission on the March SBE action on the appointments of IMAP and CRP applicants for the 2002 Reading/Language Arts/English Language Development Adoption (RLA/ELD) and, (3) provided an update regarding the 2002 RLA/ELD Invitation to Submit meeting held on March 14, 2001.

Timeline for Follow-up Adoptions (Action): Susan Stickel moved to approve the timeline for the 2002 follow-up adoptions for Science, History and Social Science and Visual and Performing Arts. Roy Anthony seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: Veronica Norris updated the Commission on the meeting held with Patrice Abarca, Sherry Griffith and Rae Belisle regarding the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act. Rae Belisle presented her findings regarding Commission meetings and the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act. Ms. Belisle has found that the Commission's bimonthly meeting agendas fully comply with the Open Meeting Act.

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State Board of Education Report: John Mockler presented on: (1) SBE request that the Commissioners re-evaluate applicants to serve on the RLA/ELD IMAP and CRP panels, (2) two new SBE members will be appointed to fill vacancies and, (3) SBE will continue to implement the High School Exit Exam and the tests will be online.

Executive Secretary Report: Sherry Griffith reported on: (1) the State Superintendent's recommendations for the selection of the additional IMAP and CRP for the 2002 K-8 RLA/ELD adoption of instructional materials, (2) status of the Foreign Language Framework, (3) the hiring of two new CFIR consultants and requested Tom Adams to introduce the new consultant for the Curriculum Frameworks Unit and provide background on the Cesar Chavez holiday and asked Suzanne Rios to announce the new consultant for the Instructional Resources Unit. Tom Adams introduced Christopher Dowell. Suzanne Rios provided information about Kathleen Jacobsen, who starts March 26, 2001.

California Department of Education Report: Leslie Fausset reported on: (1) the CDE is in the process of finalizing the, *Taking Center Stage*, middle grades document which will be aligned to the standards, (2) confirmed at this time the CDE is not proposing foreign language standards, (3) the State Superintendent of Public Instruction appreciates the Commission's re-evaluation of the applicants for the IMAP and CRP panels and, (4) the CDE is in the process of redesigning the coordinated compliance system.

Training for the Evaluation of Instructional Materials: Suzanne Rios described the Mathematics training evaluation survey results for the 2001 Mathematics Adoption. After considerable discussion, commissioners recommended the following for the 2002 K-8 RLA/ELD Adoption training:

- have a good practice piece and walk through it
- provide all necessary documents prior to the training
- review framework and criteria
- target in on current and confirmed research
- invite Neil Bodine to facilitate a session on working toward consensus and negotiations
- have a training session on legal and social compliance requirements

Dialogue with Phil Spears (SBE Standards and Assessment Office): There was a lengthy discussion regarding the status of the High School Exit Exam. Commissioners requested copies of the High School Exit Exam Advisory Committee reports including the long-term plan. Leslie Schwarze volunteered to: (1) synthesize the assessment information presented to the Commission during the previous two meetings; (2) link the work of the Commission with the student assessment process; (3) develop three alternatives that could be presented to the SBE, and; (4) present the information at the Curriculum Commission meeting in May.

Other Matters/Public Comment: Commissioners viewed a video from the National Reading Panel's *Teaching Children to Read*. Chair Abarca indicated that some form of professional development will be provided to Commissioners at every meeting to prepare for the 2002 K-8 RLA/ELD adoption of instructional materials deliberations in October of 2001.

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Foreign Language Subject Matter Committee: The Foreign Language Subject Matter Committee discussed at length public comments relating to the draft Foreign Language Framework. Leslie Schwarze, Chair opened the public hearing at 1:40 p.m.

Speakers: Hal Wingard, California Language Teachers Association

There being no other speakers, Edith Crawford moved to close the public hearing. Susan Stickel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The SMC continued to discuss the public comments. Edith Crawford moved to designate a small committee to review the public comments. Rakesh Bhandari seconded the motion. The motion failed. Rakesh Bhandari moved to close the SMC meeting and reconvene tomorrow to allow time for the SMC to review the public comments. Susan Stickel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Executive Secretary Griffith clarified that, at this time, the State did not have foreign language standards nor have any been proposed.

Friday, March 16, 2001:

Chair Schwarz convened the Foreign Language SMC meeting Friday, March 16, 2001 at 1:10 p.m. The SMC discussed at length the public comments. Susan Stickel moved to approve the draft Foreign Language Framework, with the corrections and edits, and to seek approval from the full Commission. Edith Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Timeline: Susan Stickel moved to approve the foreign language timeline as written. Edith Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Committee:

Commission Meeting Procedures: Chair Abarca requested the CFIR Division to reserve a block of rooms for Commissioners to ensure availability at the State per diem rate. In the event Commissioners will not attend a meeting, they must notify the CFIR Division or contact the hotel directly to cancel the room reservation.

Other Matters/Public Comment: The Executive Committee discussed the SBE request for the Curriculum Commission to identify a designee to review standards maps submitted with waivers requests from school districts under SBE 99-06 Schiff-Bustamante Waiver Policy Exception for Mathematics. Leslie Schwarze move to designate Susan Stickel to conduct reviews of the standards maps. Marilyn Astore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Science Subject Matter Committee:

Science Framework Field Review: The SMC discussed the status of the field review of the Science Framework. Further discussion and a review of the public comments is scheduled for the May meeting.

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Timeline: Veronica Norris moved to approve the revised timeline. Edith Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Visual and Performing Arts Subject Matter Committee: The SMC discussed at length whether the standards should be an addendum to the current framework or integrated in the framework. In either case, prior to initiating work, the Commission must submit the recommendation to the SBE for approval. For the May meeting, staff will: (1) present an analysis on the framework and the new standards, (2) identify sufficient subject matter experts to review instructional materials, and; (3) review timeline and key events.

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Health Subject Matter Committee:

Health Framework Addendum and Timeline: The SMC held a lengthy discussion regarding the Health Framework Addendum and Timeline. Commissioners requested: (1) to include the subject of student bullying for accurate and expert guidance in the Health Framework and, (2) invite an expert in the area of threat violence analysis to address the Commission. Roy Anthony moved to approve the timeline with corrections. Karen Yamamoto seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mathematics Subject Matter Committee:

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AB 1331/Algebra Initiative: The SMC held a lengthy discussion regarding the Governor's Algebra Initiative which is included in AB1331. The proposed Governor's budget appropriates \$30 million dollars for this initiative. Lora Griffin moved to invite Elizabeth Stage to provide an update to the Curriculum Commission regarding the Math project. Richard Schwartz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Suzanne Rios provided a status report regarding the SBE's 2001 Mathematics Adoption Report.

Reading Language Arts/English Language Development Subject Matter Committee:

Status Report on IMAP and CRP Recommendations and Appointments/Approve 2/9/01 Minutes: Edith Crawford moved to approve the February 9, 2001 minutes with corrections. Janet Philibosian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

SMC Chair Astore: discussed the ITS meeting held on March 14, 2001 and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction's request to re-evaluate seven (7) applicants for appointments as IMAP and/or CRP candidates. Catherine Banker moved to approve candidate #86 to participate as a CRP. Janet Philibosian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Catherine Banker moved to approve candidate #97 to participate as an IMAP. Edith Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Catherine Banker moved to approve candidate #223 to participate as an IMAP contingent upon clearance of any conflict of interest. Milissa Glen-Lambert seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Catherine Banker moved to approve candidate #28 to participate as an IMAP. Edith Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Catherine Banker moved **not to** approve candidates #2, #36, and #212 for participation as either IMAPs or CRPs; the candidates did not meet the selection criteria established by the Subject-Matter Committee. Edith Crawford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Timeline for 2002 RLA/ELD Adoption: Janet Philibosian moved to approve the timeline as revised and forward it to the SBE. Leslie Schwarze seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Planning for IMAP and CRP Training, July 29-August 30, 2001: The SMC held a lengthy discussion regarding the training. Commissioners suggested: (1) field experts to facilitate the training; (2) match new Commissioners with experienced commissioners; (3) make sure IMAP and CRP members memorize the framework; criteria and standards; (4) provide training on citation writing and documentation, and; (5) provide to IMAP and CRP members the following reading materials:

(a) *Learning to Read K-8,*

(b) *California Reading Initiative and Special Education*

(c) *Read All About It.*

Commissioner Griffith shared her concern regarding the absence or lack of African American teachers' participation in trainings such as those held for AB 3482. A lengthy discussion was held regarding professional

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development and reading, AB 3482 and the need to provide such professional development to African American teachers and other teachers of color who teach in less affluent areas of California.

The following speakers responded to what they perceived to be the Commissioners' questions regarding CTA's participation in promoting professional development for teachers of color and raised concerns about the discussion.

Speakers:

Sandra Fink, Liaison, California Teachers Association

Karen Robison, Liaison, California Teachers Association

Electronic Learning Resources Subject Matter Committee:

CLRN Review of Electronic Learning Resources: A lengthy discussion was held regarding the evolving process of using electronic resources to supplement standards-aligned materials and to assist student learning. Vik Hovsepian moved to recommend to the SBE the need to connect between pupil software (SB 204), management tools and the existing process. Leslie Schwarze seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Digital California Project Update: Don Kairott provided a status report of the Digital California Project

History/Social Science Subject Matter Committee:

Plan for Follow-up Adoption in 2002: The SMC discussed the follow-up adoption process.

Full Curriculum Commission Reconvenes:

Chair Abarca opened the Foreign Language Framework Hearing at 12:30 p.m. There were no speakers. Chair Abarca closed the Foreign Language Framework Hearing at 12:35 p.m.

Reports/Actions from Subject Matter Committees:

Executive Committee: Leslie Schwarze moved to accept the Executive Committee's recommendation to appoint Susan Stickel as designee to review standards maps submitted with waivers requests from school districts under the SBE exception policy under SBE 99-06 Schiff-Bustamante Waiver Policy - Exception for Mathematics. Richard Schwartz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Science Subject Matter Committee: Susan Stickel moved to accept the Science Subject Matter Committee recommendation to approve the revised timeline. Vik Hovsepian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Foreign Language Subject Matter Committee: Sue Stickel moved to accept the Foreign Language Subject Matter Committee recommendation to approve the draft Foreign Language Framework with corrections and edits. Lora Griffin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Sue Stickel moved to accept the Foreign Language Subject Matter Committee recommendation to approve the revise timeline. Lora Griffin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Visual and Performing Arts Subject Matter Committee: No Action

Health Subject Matter Committee: Susan Stickel moved to accept the recommendation of the Health Subject Matter Committee to approve the revised timeline. Leslie Schwarze seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Math Subject Matter Committee: Vik Hovsepien moved to invite Elizabeth Stage from the UC Office of the President to update the Commission at the May meeting regarding the Mathematics Subject Matter project. Susan Stickel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Reading Language Arts/English Language Development Subject Matter Committee: Susan Stickel moved to accept the Reading Language Arts/English Language Development Subject Matter Committee recommendation to approve the revised timeline. Lora Griffin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Janet Philibosian moved to accept the Reading Language Arts/English Language Development Subject Matter Committee recommendation to approve applicant #86 to participate as a CRP, and approve applicants #28, #97 and #231 to participate as IMAPs. Lora Griffin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Catherine Banker moved to accept the Reading Language Arts/English Language Development Subject Matter Committee recommendation **not** to approve applicants #2, #36, and #212 to participate as a CRPs and/or as IMAPs because they did not meet the criteria. The motion passed unanimously.

Electronic Learning Resources Subject Matter Committee: Lora Griffin moved to accept the Electronic Learning Resources Subject Matter Committee recommendation to recommend to the SBE the need to connect between pupil software (SB 204), management tools and the existing process. Susan Stickel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Vik Hovsepien moved to recommend to the SBE the inclusion of information in each of four core content standards documents regarding the importance and availability of the curriculum frameworks for each subject area. Leslie Schwarze seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Vik Hovsepien moved to revise the Guidelines for Piloting Textbooks and Instructional Materials to be aligned with the current standards and nominated himself and Susan Stickel to work with Sherry Griffith in this effort. Richard Schwartz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

History and Social Science Subject Matter Committee: No action

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Individual Commissioner Reports: None

The Curriculum Commission meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

For further information about this agenda, please contact The Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission at 654-3361 or the Curriculum Frameworks and Instructional Resources Office, California Department of Education, 721 Capitol Mall, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA, 95814; telephone (916) 657-3023; fax (916) 657-5148.

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